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1. WITH RESPECT TO US REQUESTS OF HONG KONG, LANGUAGE IN
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FOOTNOTE 2 SHOULD BE REPLACED BY: QUOTE, US INDUSTRY WISHES

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TO HAVE BETTER ACCESS TO THE HONG KONG MARKET FOR SPORTING FIREARMS AND BELIEVES THAT THE OPERATION OF THE PRESENT SYSTEM ENCUMBERS TRADE IN SPORTING FIREARMS. THEREFORE, THE US WISHES CONSULTATIONS ON THE OPERATION OF THE SYSTEM AS DESCRIBED IN REPLIES TO QUESTIONNAIRE ON LICENSING (COM.IND/ W/55 ADD 55, 22 DECEMBER L975), WITH THE VIEW TOWARD GAINING BETTER MARKET ACCESS FOR US PRODUCTS. END QUOTE. WITH THIS CHANGE, THE HONG KONG LIST PREVIOUSLY HAND CARRIED TO GENEVA CAN BE CONSIDERED FINAL.

2. CONCERNING US REQUESTS UNDER THE SUBHEADING NTM WHERE QUOTE AUTOMATIC LICENSING END QUOTE OR QUOTE LIBERALIZE RESTRICTIVE LICENSING END QUOTE APPEARS PERTAINING TO THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES: ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, ECUADOR, JAMAICA, AND TURKEY, WORDING OF US REQUESTS SHOULD BE REPLACED BY FOLLOWING: QUOTE, WE ARE ASKING THAT LICENSES BE GRANTED WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIONS IN THIS PARTICULAR EXERCISE, AS OPPOSED TO THE ELIMINATION OF LICENSING, WHICH THE UNITED STATES HAS PROPOSED IN THE NTM SUBGROUP ON QUANTITATIVE RE-STRICTIONS. THIS REQUEST, WHICH IS INTENDED TO ASSURE THAT US EXPORTERS WILL FULLY BENEFIT FROM TARIFF CONCESSIONS GRANTED BY ------ IN THE TROPICAL PRODUCTS EXERCISE, IN NO WAY ALTERS THE US POSITION ADVOCATING THE ELIMINATION OF ALL AUTOMATIC LICENSING. END QUOTE. LANGUAGE PERTAINING TO GENERAL CAVEAT ON BOP MEASURES SHOULD BE RETAINED.

3. WE REALIZE SOME CONSULTATIONS HAVE BEEN HELD ALREADY, I.E., WITH MEXICO, MALAYSIA, INDIA. IN FUTURE CONTACTS

WITH THESE DELEGATIONS, US REP SHOULD BE GUIDED BY ABOVE WORDING. ROBINSON

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